

WAR DEPARTMENT
ARMY AIR FORCES

(To be filled in by
check pilot)

QUALIFIED X

UNQUALIFIED _____

PILOT INSTRUMENT CERTIFICATE APPLICATION AND FLIGHT CHECK FORM

Application

Application is hereby made for Instrument Pilot Certificate { AAF Form 8 (white) } (Strike out one.)
AAF Form 8A (green)

Name Gardner J. H. Rank 1st Lt Organ. 1537

Pilot rating 1A Total Instrument Pilot time _____

Instrument Pilot time last 5 years: Under hood _____ Actual _____ Total _____

The above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed Jack H. Gardner

JACK H. GARDNER

Rank 1st Lt. AIR CORPS

Date 29. July, 1945

Check Pilot Flight Test Report

(See reverse side for description of maneuvers)

Maneuvers	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
1. Instrument take-off	_____	_____
2. Spiral climb	<u>X</u>	_____
3. Level flight	<u>X</u>	_____
4. 90° and 180° turns	<u>X</u>	_____
5. Steep banks	<u>X</u>	_____
6. Stalls	<u>PROH</u>	_____
7. Recovery from unusual maneuvers	<u>X</u>	_____
8. Glides	<u>X</u>	_____
9. Radio range orientation and low approach	<u>X</u>	_____
10. Position plotting by intersection	_____	_____
11. Aural null orientation and homing	_____	_____
12. Radio compass low approach	_____	_____

NOTE.—To qualify for Instrument Pilot Certificate, AAF Form 8 (white), the applicant must satisfactorily complete maneuvers Nos. 2 to 9, inclusive, except that in the case of combat crew pilot in OTU and/or RTU organizations having radio compasses as standard equipment on their aircraft, maneuver No. 9 may be omitted. To qualify for Instrument Pilot Certificate, AAF Form 8A (green), applicant must satisfactorily complete all maneuvers.

This is to certify that I have personally flight-checked the above applicant on C 47
aircraft and find him qualified—~~unqualified~~—

Signed J. Cunningham

(Authorized check pilot)

Rank Capt. A.C.

Date 29 July 1945

Passed oral examination in accordance
with AAF Reg. 50-3 Par. 3, 29, July, 1945

(Applicant must qualify "Satisfactory" on each separate maneuver)

DESCRIPTION OF MANEUVERS

1. *Instrument take-off.*—The check pilot will align the airplane with the runway. Pilot will set directional gyro either to zero or the nearest 5° indice of the runway heading, and will take off. Proficiency will be based on ability to hold heading within 3° either side of initial heading and by smoothness of attaining climbing air speed safely.
2. *Spiral climb.*—The pilot will put the airplane in a standard climbing spiral to the right. After climbing 1,000 feet, he will reverse the direction of turn and climb 1,000 feet more. Proficiency will be based on constant rate of turn, maintenance of proper rate of climb, air speed, and smoothness.
3. *Level flight.*—The pilot will fly on a given compass heading for 5 minutes. Proficiency will be based on ability to maintain straight and level flight.
4. *90- and 180-degree turns.*—The pilot will make turns in each direction. Accuracy, maintenance of constant altitude, and smoothness of control determine proficiency.
5. *Steep banks.*—The pilot will put the airplane in a bank of 40 to 60 degrees, maintain this bank until a smooth turn is achieved, then return to straight and level flight. No specific amount of turn is required. Proficiency will be based on smoothness of turn and maintenance of constant altitude and safe air speed.
6. *Stalls.*—The pilot will place the airplane in a glide without flaps with engine completely throttled, slowly reduce the air speed to a complete stall, then regain normal gliding speed. Proficiency will be based on avoidance of any tendency toward a second stall during recovery and on ability to hold the airplane from turning or dropping a wing before the stalling point is reached.
7. *Recovery from unusual maneuvers.*—The check pilot will place the airplane in an unusual position, then instruct the pilot to take the controls, recover, and resume level flight. Proficiency will be based on ability to recover quickly, smoothly, and reliably; emphasis will be placed on avoidance of diving and stalling during recovery. Type of aircraft will govern the extent of unusual maneuvers; check pilot will use judgment in the execution and allowance for recovery.
8. *Glides.*—The pilot will place the airplane in a power glide without flaps, with appropriate air speed, safely above stalling speed, and make at least one 90° turn in each direction. Proficiency will be based on ability to maintain constant air speed and vertical speed and to execute turns smoothly.
9. *Radio range employment and orientation.*—(Use all instruments.) This portion of the test will start from a position unknown to the pilot and within 10 minutes of the radio range station. It will consist of tuning the radio to the station, orientation, and bracketing of beam and following it to the radio range station, recognition of the station, and a let-down using the standard procedure for that range and station.
10. *Position plotting by "intersection."*—Take bearings on at least two stations (three, if possible) and plot position on D/F chart.
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